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Sir:

☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.

☐ A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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* not fewer than 20

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SMALL ENTITY

	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X	\$ 25	\$
X	\$ 100	\$
+	\$ 180	\$

TOTAL= \$ 0

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SMALL ENTITY

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X	\$ 200	\$ 0
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Petition for Extension of Time

[X] The undersigned attorney petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Notice of Appeal in reply to the Office Action made Final dated February 22, 2005 for three months, from May 22, 2005 to August 22, 2005 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

[X] In lieu of filing a Notice of Appeal, Applicants' Attorney is filing a Request for Continued Examination concurrently herewith.

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Application No.: 09/624,276

Group: 2155

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REDUCING POOL STARVATION IN A
SHARED MEMORY SWITCH

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AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action made Final mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on February 22, 2005 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

A three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows: